

The Board of County Commissioners met in regular session at 9:00 a.m. with Commissioner Shapland, Commissioner McGaughey and the County Clerk present. Commissioner Stewart was absent due to illness. News Reporter, Tammie Hensley was in attendance. Commissioner Shapland led the Pledge of Allegiance and Commissioner McGaughey provided prayer.

Ray Velasquez, Bill Stewart, and Pam Gindlesberger, Board on Aging, met with commissioners. Kevin Shapland made the motion to recess into executive session for 30 minutes with the Board on Aging to discuss an applicant for Senior Center Director under the justification of employer-employee negotiations. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. After 30 minutes the meeting continued in open session with no action taken.

Mari Honstead, Civic Center Manager, presented two bids to remove and trim trees at the Civic Center Complex. Discussion was held on killing tree roots after they are cut down. The Civic Center Manager will contact the Noxious Weed Director to get a chemical for killing tree roots. Kevin Shapland made the motion to accept the bid from The Green Solution to remove six trees at the complex, and trim dead limbs in the Tot Lot Park at a cost not to exceed \$4,930.00, and for this expense to be paid from the County Building fund. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously. Next, the Civic Center Manager requested the HP computer she asked for last meeting be considered. She explained the local computer dealer does not quote HP or Dell computers already set up. He buys computers and custom builds them. Commissioner McGaughey asked the request to be tabled until Commissioner Stewart was present.

Mark McGaughey made the motion to allow the purchase of a collection drop box from American Security Cabinets for Courthouse patrons use at a cost not to exceed \$1,986.00, and for this expense to be paid from the Special Equipment fund. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

Kevin Shapland made the motion to pay the fee from Ersi for Emergency Management's GIS software at a cost of \$3,900.00; and to work towards reducing the license to a standard by next year's renewal. Mark McGaughey seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

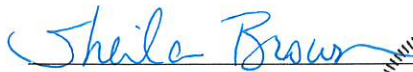
Discussion was held on the wage increase request by the Interim Senior Center Director. It was the consensus to table the request until next meeting.

Mark McGaughey made the motion to approve minutes for the April 7 and April 13, 2020 meetings along with claims against the various funds of the County, payroll total \$145,706.29 dated April 8, 2020; voucher numbers ending 161443 totaling \$132,711.31. Kevin Shapland seconded the motion, and it passed unanimously.

A road crossing permit was reviewed and approved.

Jonathan Herald, Western Kansas Child Advocacy Center, (WKCAC), joined the commissioners via conference call. He presented the 2021 appropriation request of \$15,000.00, an increase of \$6,000.00 from prior year. Next, Mr. Herald presented a waiver representing support and allows WKCAC to apply for a Justice Assistance Program Grant and requested signatures from commissioners, which was reviewed and approved. In 2019 Grant County used the services of WKCAC to investigate 30 cases of child abuse allegations.

Commissioners adjourned for the day at 10:25 a.m., to meet again in regular session at 9:00 a.m. on Tuesday, May 5, 2020.

  
Sheila Brown, County Clerk



  
Kevin Shapland, Chairman